

**AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT  
SCHOOL DISTRICT #272  
AMBOY, ILLINOIS**

Thursday, August 18, 2022  
6:30 PM

Amboy Junior High School  
Cafeteria  
240 N Metcalf Avenue  
Amboy, IL 61310

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
  - A. Roll Call
  - B. Open Forum
2. Action: Consent Agenda Items
  - A. Minutes

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M.  
AMBOY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

President Jones called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present. Also present were: Joshua Nichols, Matt Moore, Yvonne Vicks, George Howe, and Jenny Apple.

The floor was opened to comments from the public. Matt Moore shared his concerns about Senate Bill 818: Keeping Youth Safe and Healthy Act. He has reservations with the National Sexuality Education Standards and asked that the board opt out as a district like other area districts. The board will closely look at the material and instruction then make a decision.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by White to approve the following consent agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the June 16, 2022, Open & Closed Regular Board Meetings; and
- Delete audio recordings dated January 21, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols shared information on the finance reports. The district has received 93% of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$513,434 in sales tax revenue. He shared that we received \$665,082 in Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax when it's normally around \$250,000. The district has used 90% this fiscal year.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Stenzel to approve the current expenditures and payroll, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

For his Superintendent Report, Nichols acknowledged how nice the buildings are looking and thanked the custodians and summer help for their work. The brick and concrete are finished on the outdoor classroom at Central School and expected to be completed by August 6. Dreamscapes completed the landscaping in front of Central School. There has been no word on the start of the playground at Central School.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Pratt to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Amboy CUSD 272 and the Amboy Education Association regarding change in flex time hours at the high school, as presented. The hours needed adjusted because of the change in the schedule at the high school. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve Clint O'Brien from Edward Jones, of Mendota, IL as an authorized 403(b) approved vendor. This will allow us to add him for payroll deduction. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by White and seconded by Stenzel to approve the proposal of Option #1 from Veregy for replacing the boilers at the high school, as presented. Option #1 is to replace both boilers for \$386,886 or Option #2 is replacing one boiler for \$265,800. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:20 p.m., a motion was made by Powers and seconded by Payne to move to executive session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:28 p.m., a motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Powers to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. <sup>2</sup>

A motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by Leffelman to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Zinke as Special Education Teacher at the high school, to approve the employment of Kathleen Adams as Bus Aide and Josephine Vivian as Paraprofessional at the junior high school for the 2022-2023 school year, and to approve the extra-curricular positions for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented. Motion carried with six yea votes. One nay vote by Pratt.

President Jones announced upcoming dates: Finance Meeting-Thursday, August 4, 2022, 7:00 p.m.-Junior High and Regular School Board Meeting-Thursday, August 18, 2022, 7:00 p.m.-Junior High.

A motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by Powers to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elsa Payne, Secretary

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Nicole Jones, President

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
  - A. Review of Financial Reports
  - B. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
  - A. Principal Reports

Central School  
Principal Report  
Joyce Schamberger  
August 2022

**School Activities:**

- Thank you to the summer crew and custodians the building is in top shape with clean shiny new floors and rooms.
- Preschool classes are scheduled to begin on Aug. 25th. There are 40 preschoolers and we have a waiting list.
- Book-It - Each month beginning in September will be activities planned for those students who meet their monthly reading goals. Our theme this year is Under the Sea!
- Back Pack Night was held on Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00p.m.- 6:00p.m. Parents and students were able to come in and meet their teacher.

**School Improvement:**

- During Teachers' Institute Days, staff members met and continued their work with mandated trainings, technology trainings and expectations.
- This year the focus again K-4 will be on student growth. Grade level teams will meet daily to collaborate and plan. Guided reading will continue K- 4<sup>th</sup> grades and RTI will continue to help close the gap for those students who are not at grade level.

**PBIS:**

- At Central, Clipper Cash will be used to reward positive behaviors. The yearlong theme for Central School is Camping.
- The PBIS team will meet and make plans for the upcoming year for quarterly celebrations. Basic Training of all expectations will be held on Thursday, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>. This includes bus evacuation training and all areas of the school expectations.





**Amboy Jr. High School  
Principal's Report  
August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Submitted by: Andrew Full

**Curriculum and School Improvement:**

- Throughout the summer the School Improvement Team has met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: schedule, discipline handbook, RtI, 5 Essentials, Significant 72, Goals, Benchmarking Tests, special education, etc...
- New teacher orientation was held on August 11<sup>th</sup> to welcome new staff members and cover district policies, evaluations, discipline, importance of setting routines, etc...
- Faculty and staff met on August 12<sup>th</sup> and August 16<sup>th</sup> for Teachers' Institute where various topics were discussed (welcome back, return to school, faculty meetings, Significant 72, discipline, data collection, mandated trainings, SLO's, CPR/AED, special education, etc...)
- Mr. Full attended the Rock River Valley Conference meeting on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

**PBIS:**

**School Activities:**

- 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball has started with the coaches being Lindsey Kaleel, Abbe Christoffersen, and Jackie Schrader. We have close to 40 girls signed up and practicing.
- Faculty, staff, and students went through the Significant 72 during the first three days of school.
- Thank you to all the summer workers and custodians for making the school look great!



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### **Curriculum and School Improvement**

- Student of the Year for 2021-2022 was Lauren Althaus!
- We have 8 seniors and 4 juniors attending SVCC and then AHS for 4 classes, 2 Attending SVCC then WACC, 2 seniors attending AHS for 1 class and SVCC for the rest of the day, 1 in the academy at SVCC, 8 co-op students, 42 attending AHS in the morning then WACC in the afternoon.
- 2 summer school classes were held, Geography and Health.
- Science classes will be using a new curriculum this year. We are excited to get going on it.
- Spanish will be taught virtually again this year through Educere online. More students are planning to take it this year than last.
- We would like to welcome Kirstyn Carter as the new high school secretary, Bryson Prusator in Social Studies, and Tyson Powers in Special Education.

### **School Activities**

- Fall sports are underway with football, volleyball, golf and cross-country maintaining their co-op agreements from last year.

### **Building Activities**

- Mr. Metz, Mrs. Challand and the summer custodial crew once again did a fantastic job preparing the school for the students' return.



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- The high school is starting work on an Education Pathway through a grant provided by the Regional Office of Education. This will take a couple of years to get the process rolling, but the goal is to give students who would like to go into the field of education a chance to be in the classroom helping teachers while still in high school.
- We held the 1st day of school activities yesterday with classes with a marble run, water guns, Alleyball, kickball, bags tournament and ending with tug-of-war. We also completed our bus evacuation drill.

B. Superintendent Reports

5. Action: 2022-2023 Return to Learn Plan
6. Action: Administrative Procedures for the Use of a Handheld Metal Detector Wand at the High School
7. Action: Executive Session
8. Action: Return to Open Session
9. Action: Personnel
10. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment